

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (currently amended) A communication system for exchanging electronic mail information, ~~the said communication~~ system comprising:

a plurality of communication devices for inputting a telephone number ~~of a destination and that includes~~ an identification number of a ~~destination~~ telecommunication services operator and for ~~communicating to the destination the transmitting~~ electronic mail information together with the telephone number~~using an electronic mail address;~~

a storage device for storing a reference table in which the ~~input~~ identification number of the ~~destination~~ telecommunication services operator is correlated with the domain name of the ~~destination~~ telecommunication services operator; and

a communication management device for receiving the transmitted electronic mail information and telephone number, ~~using the input identification number of the destination telecommunication services operator as an address~~ for reading the domain name of the ~~destination~~ telecommunication services operator from the reference table using the identification number of the telecommunication services operator, ~~and for merging the input telephone number with the domain name read from the reference table to form the an electronic mail address, and for sending forwarding~~ the electronic mail information to the electronic mail address,

the electronic mail address having a local part and a domain part, the local part ~~is being~~ separated from the domain part with an at mark symbol "@", ~~and the local part including~~es the telephone number, ~~of the destination and the domain part includes the domain name of the destination~~

telecommunication services operator ~~without including the telephone number of the destination.~~

2. (previously presented) The communication system according to claim 1, wherein the reference table is automatically updated with a new domain name of the telecommunication services operator at a desired time.

3. (previously presented) The communication system according to claim 1, wherein the communication management device of the telecommunication services operator is connected to a communication management device of another telecommunication services operator through a communication network and transmits the electronic mail information to one of the plurality of communication devices that is line-connected to the other telecommunication services operator.

4. (previously presented) The communication system according to claim 1, wherein country information in addition to the identification number is correlated with the domain name in the reference table stored in the storage device.

5. (currently amended) A communication device ~~for exchanging electronic mail information, the device comprising:~~

an inputting unit for inputting a telephone number ~~of a destination and that includes~~ an identification number of a ~~destination~~ telecommunication services operator;

a storage unit for storing a reference table in which the ~~input~~ identification number of the ~~destination~~ telecommunication services operator is correlated to the domain name of the ~~destination~~ telecommunication services operator; and

a controller ~~that uses the input identification number of the destination telecommunication services operator inputted by the inputting unit as an address to~~ for reading the domain name of the ~~destination~~ telecommunication services operator from the reference table using the

identification number of the telecommunication services operator, and for merging the ~~input~~ telephone number with the domain name read from the reference table to form the electronic mail address ~~for sending the electronic mail information~~,

the electronic mail address having a local part and a domain part, the local part ~~is being~~ separated from the domain part with an at mark symbol "@", ~~and the local part including~~es the telephone number, ~~of the destination and the domain part including~~es the domain name of the destination telecommunication services operator; ~~without including the telephone number of the destination and~~

a transmission unit for transmitting the electronic mail information and the electronic mail address.

6. (previously presented) The communication device according to claim 5, further comprising a rewriting mode for automatically updating the domain name of the telecommunication services operator stored in the reference table.

7. (previously presented) The communication apparatus according to claim 6, wherein the rewriting mode is activated at a desired time by the telecommunication services operator being updated.

8. (currently amended) A communication method of exchanging electronic mail information, said method comprising ~~the steps of:~~

producing, in a database, a reference table in which an identification number of a ~~destination~~ telecommunication services operator is correlated to a domain name of a ~~destination the~~ telecommunication services operator; ~~and~~

~~when transmitting the electronic mail information:~~

inputting a telephone number ~~of the destination and that includes~~ the identification number of the destination telecommunication services operator into a communication

device;

transmitting electronic mail information together with the telephone number from the communication device to a communication management device;

~~using the inputted identification number of the destination telecommunication services operator as an address to reading,~~ from the database, the domain name of the destination telecommunication services operator from the reference table using the identification number of the telecommunication services operator; and

merging, at the communication management device, the inputted telephone number with the domain name read from the reference table to form the an electronic mail address for sending the electronic mail information;

the electronic mail address having a local part and a domain part, the local part is being separated from the domain part with an at mark symbol "@", and the local part including the telephone number, of the destination and the domain part including the domain name of the destination telecommunication services operator without including the telephone number of the destination; and

forwarding the electronic mail information from the communication management device to the electronic mail address.

9. (previously presented) The communication method according to claim 8, wherein the reference table is updated according to a change in the domain name information of the destination telecommunication services operator.

10. (previously presented) The communication method according to claim 8, wherein country information in addition to the identification number is correlated to the domain name information in the reference table.